

#### **§ 410.629b**

used in lieu of the hearing and Appeals Council review, if the following conditions are met:

(a) A reconsideration determination has been made by the Commissioner; and

(b) The individual is a party referred to in § 410.629c; and

(c) The individual has filed a written request for the expedited appeals process; and

(d) The individual has alleged, and the Commissioner agrees, that the only factor precluding a favorable determination with respect to a matter referred to in § 410.610, is a statutory provision which the individual alleges to be unconstitutional; and

(e) Where more than one individual is a party referred to in § 410.629c, each and every party concurs in the request for the expedited appeals process.

[40 FR 53388, Nov. 18, 1975, as amended at 62 FR 38453, July 18, 1997]

#### **§ 410.629b Expedited appeals process; place and time of filing request.**

(a) *Place of filing request.* The request for the expedited appeals process must be made in writing and filed:

(1) At an office of the Social Security Administration; or

(2) With a presiding officer.

(b) *Time of filing request.* The request for the expedited appeals process must be filed at one of the following times:

(1) No later than 60 days after the date of receipt of notice of the reconsidered determination, unless the time is extended in accordance with the standards set out in § 410.669 of this chapter. For purposes of this paragraph, the date of receipt of notice of the reconsidered determination shall be presumed to be 5 days after the date of such notice, unless there is a reasonable showing to the contrary; or

(2) If a request for hearing has been timely filed (see § 410.631), at any time prior to the individual's receipt of notice of the presiding officer's decision; or

(3) Within 60 days after the date of receipt of notice of the presiding officer's decision or dismissal, unless the time is extended in accordance with the standards set out in § 410.669 of this chapter. For purposes of this paragraph (b)(3), the date of receipt of notice of

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the presiding officer's decision or dismissal shall be presumed to be 5 days after the date of such notice, unless there is a reasonable showing to the contrary; or

(4) If a request for review by the Appeals Council has been timely filed (see § 410.661), at any time prior to receipt by such individual of notice of the Appeals Council's final action.

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#### **§ 410.629c Expedited appeals process; parties.**

The parties to the expedited appeals process shall be the person or persons who were parties to the reconsideration determination in question and, if appropriate, parties to the hearing.

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#### **§ 410.629d Expedited appeals process; agreement requirements.**

(a)(1) An authorized representative of the Commissioner shall, if he determines that all conditions for the use of the expedited appeals process are met (see § 410.629), prepare an agreement for signature of the party (parties) and an authorized representative of the Commissioner.

(2)(i) Where a request for hearing has been filed, but prior to issuance of a decision a request for the expedited appeals process is filed, the Chief Administrative Law Judge of the Bureau of Hearings and Appeals, or his designee, shall determine if the conditions required for entering an agreement are met.

(ii) Where a hearing decision was the last action, or where a request for review is pending before the Appeals Council, and a request for the expedited appeals process is filed, the Chairman or Deputy Chairman of the Appeals Council, or the Chairman's designee, shall determine if the conditions required for an agreement are met.

(b) An agreement with respect to the expedited appeals process shall provide that:

(1) The facts involved in the claim are not in dispute; and